

Remarks

Claims 1-19, 22-24, 26, and 28 are pending. Claims 1-19, 22-24, 26, and 28 stand rejected.

Claims 1 and 28 are amended. The amendments are supported by the specification and do not raise new matter. See e.g. Page 6 lines 15-31 through Page 7 lines 1-19.

Claims 1-19, 22-24, 26, and 28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Bodnar et al. (5,143,945). Applicants respectfully disagree and traverse this rejection for at least the following reasons. To anticipate a claim, a reference must teach every element of the claim. *See MPEP § 2131; Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co.*, 868 F. 2d 1226, 1236, 9 USPQ2d 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989). Applicants respectfully submit that Bodnar et al. does not teach the amount of polyester polyols recited in the claims in combination with the blowing agent recited in the amended claims. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that Bodnar et al. does not anticipate the instant claims and request that this rejection be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests issuance of a Notice of Allowance directed towards claims 1-19, 22-24, 26, and 28. If a telephone conference would expedite the processing of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (281) 719-4803.

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